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POLREP #448
FAIRMONT COKE WORKS
FAIRMONT, MARION COUNTY, WV 26554
CERCLA REMOVAL ACTION
ATTN: CHARLIE KLEEMAN, RRC

I. SITUATION (THURSDAY, 11 JULY 1996)

- A. PERSONNEL ON SCENE: EPA-1, SATA-1, ERCS-4.
- B. WEATHER ON SCENE: MOSTLY SUNNY WITH TEMPS IN THE LOW TO MID 80'S.
- C. AGENCY COSTS AS OF C.O.B. 07/10/96 CEILING

EPA (DIRECT)	\$ 191,679	\$ 200,000
EPA (INDIRECT)	304,451	360,000
SATA	550,630	685,000
ERCS	6,726,069	8,005,114
OTHER		
UNALLOCATED		3,953,080
	\$ 7,772,829	\$13,203,194

II. ACTIONS TAKEN

- A. ERCS CONTINUED FINAL GRADING OF AREAS ON SITE THAT ARE TO BE HYDRO-SEEDED.
- B. ERCS CONTINUED REPAIR/REPLACEMENT OF HIGH-VISIBILITY AND SILT FENCE LOCATED THROUGHOUT THE SITE.
- C. THE OSC CONTACTED EPA ATTORNEY (C. HOWLAND) IN AN ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE PRESENT OWNERSHIP OF THE SITE. THE OSC WAS INFORMED THAT A PRIVATE RESIDENT HAD PURCHASED APPROXIMATELY FOUR ACRES OF THE SITE AT AUCTION IN 1994 DUE TO BACK-TAXES OWED BY SHARON STEEL. PURPORTEDLY, AFTER THE SALE, THE DEED WAS REWRITTEN IN SUCH A MANNER THAT THE ENTIRE PROPERTY IS NOW OWNED BY THE AFOREMENTIONED CITIZEN. THE OSC AND ATTORNEY HOWLAND ARE TO CONTINUE INVESTIGATING THIS MATTER.
- D. IN AN ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE WHEN TREATMENT OF THE OXIDATION POND WATERS ENDED, THE OSC DIRECTED SATA TO REVIEW LOGS MAINTAINED BY THE 24-HOUR SECURITY WHICH HAD BEEN MAINTAINED AT THE SITE. SPORADIC TREATMENT APPEARED TO END IN MAY, 1996.
- E. SATA CONDUCTED WRITTEN AND PHOTO DOCUMENTATION OF SITE ACTIVITIES.
- F. A RENTAL FUEL TANK WAS DEMOBILIZED FROM SITE THIS DATE.

III. FUTURE PLANS

- A. REMOVAL OPERATIONS TO CONTINUE.
- B. OSC TO CONTINUE UPDATING EPA REMOVAL MANAGEMENT OF CURRENT CLEANUP OPERATIONS.
- C. OSC AND EPA ATTORNEY TO DETERMINE CURRENT OWNERSHIP OF PROPERTY BASED ON SHARON STEEL'S STATEMENT THAT THE PROPERTY WAS SOLD AT AUCTION FOR PAST TAXES.

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- D. OSC TO CONTINUE TO COORDINATE WITH STATE AND LOCAL OFFICIALS. OSC WILL ALSO KEEP EPA REMEDIAL APPRISED ON CURRENT CLEANUP OPERATIONS.
- E. OSC TO MEET WITH LOCAL REPORTER ON THURSDAY, 11 JULY FOR AN INTERVIEW.
- F. OSC MATLOCK TO DEMOBE FROM SITE ON FRIDAY, 12 JULY DUE TO OTHER REGIONAL COMMITMENTS. OSC HESTON TO MOBILIZE TO SITE THAT DATE.

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